

FIG. 1

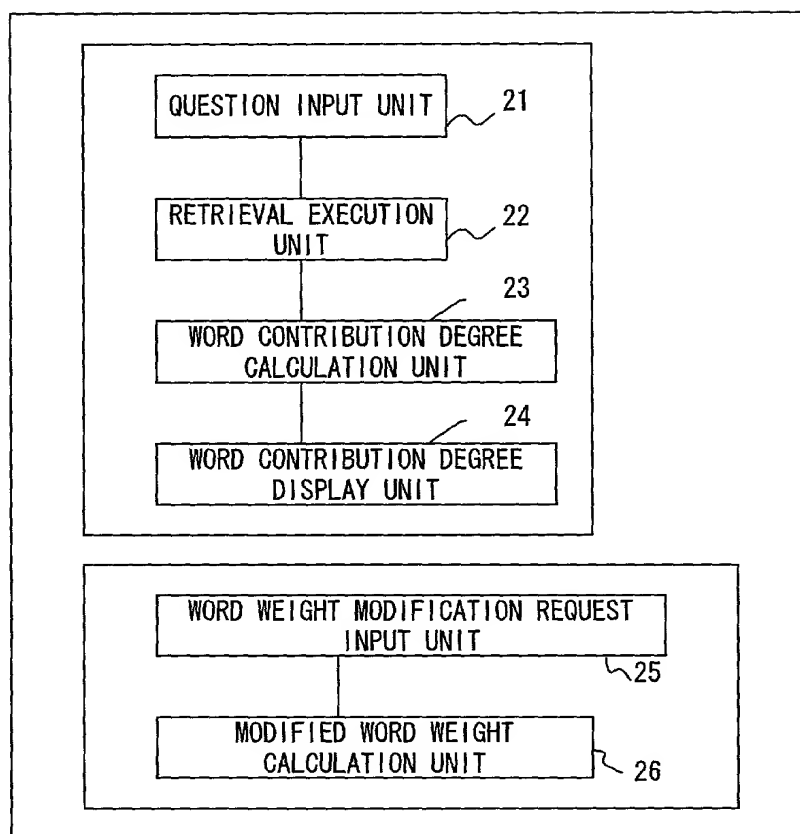


FIG. 2

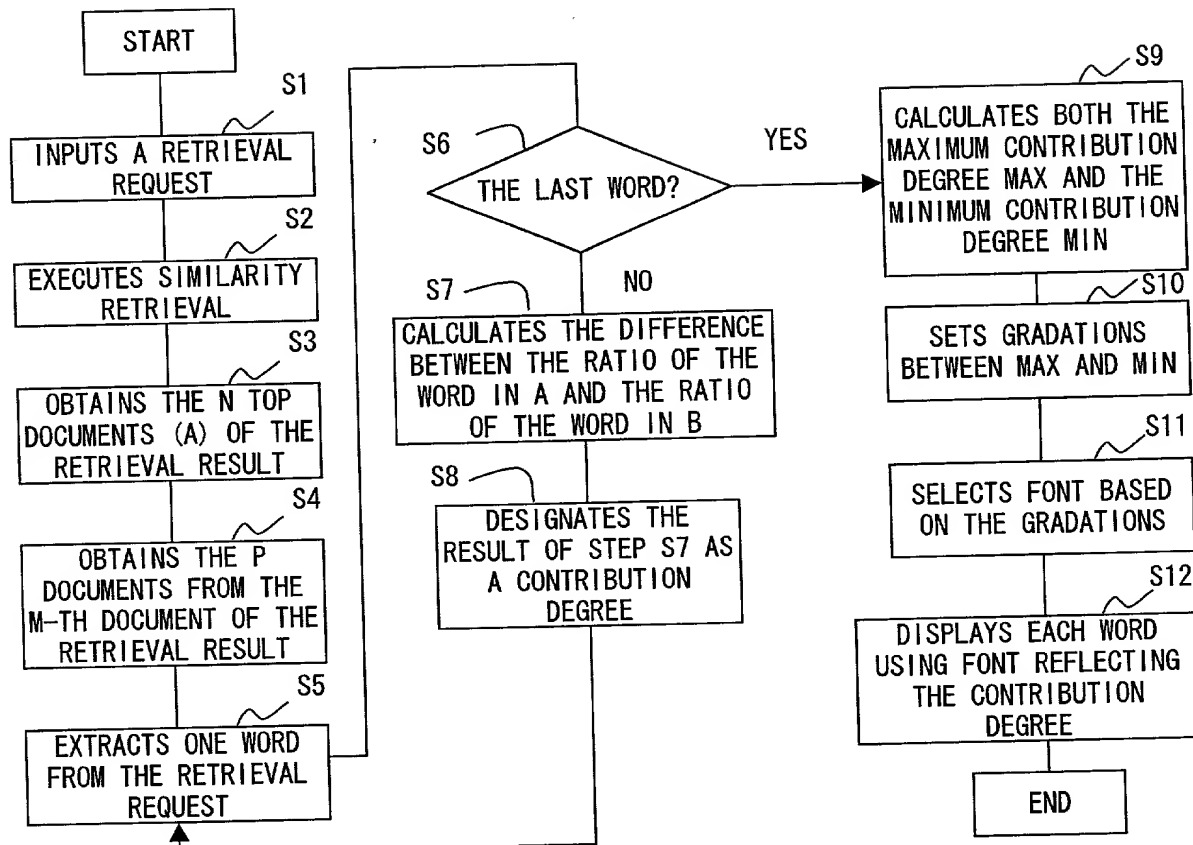


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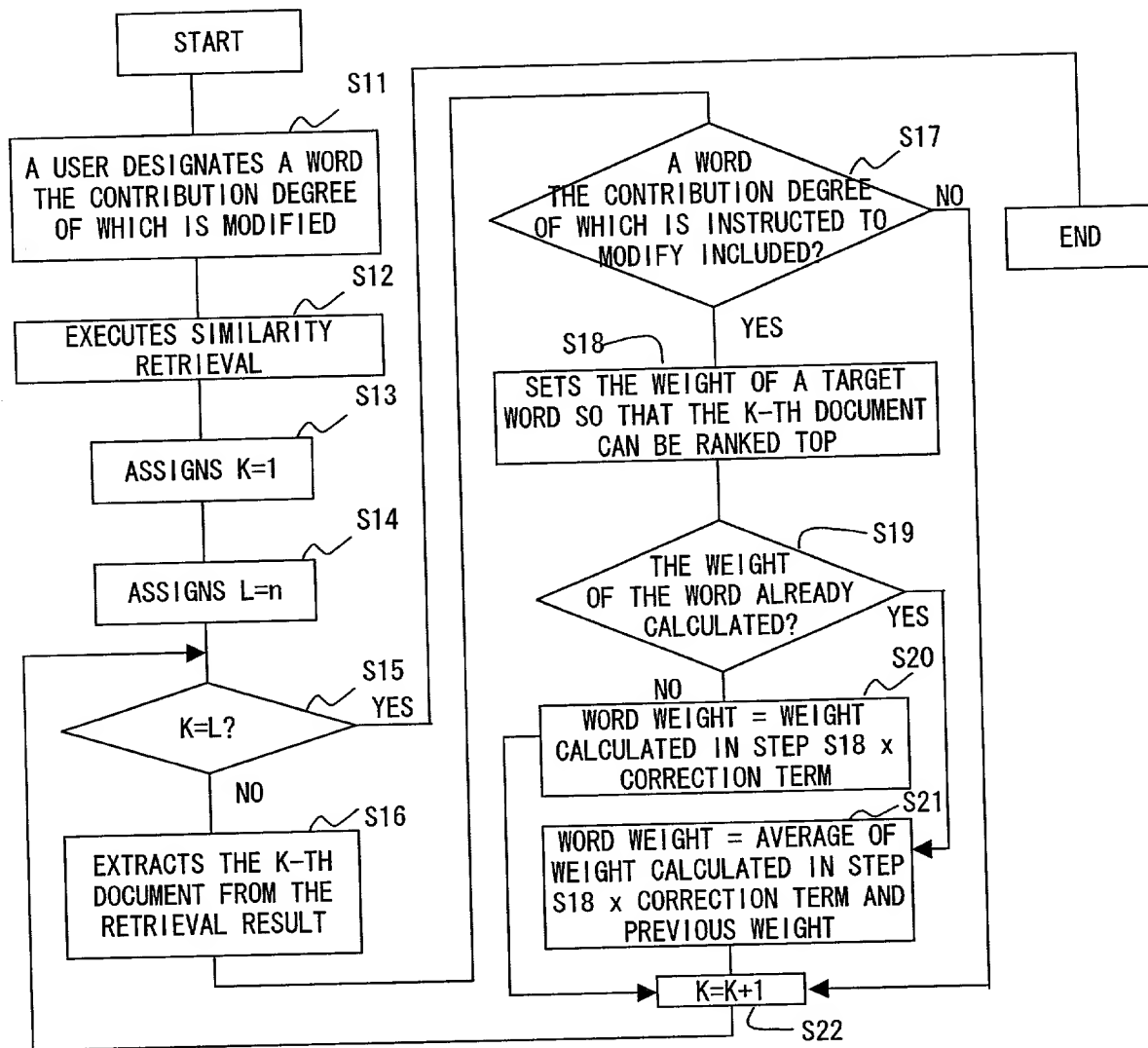


FIG. 4

• **PURPOSE**

- SEARCHES FOR A WORD hybrid car

• **QUESTION SENTENCE**

- INPUTS IN A NATURAL LANGUAGE (REQUEST FORMAT TO A SEARCHER)
- TAKE TREC Query NO. 385 AS AN EXAMPLE
- Identify documents that discuss the current status of hybrid automobile engines, (i.e., cars fueled by something other than gasoline only.) A relevant document may include research on non-gasoline powered engines or prototypes that may be fueled by natural gas, methanol, alcohol; cost to the consumer, health benefits derived; and shortcomings in horsepower and passenger comfort.

**F I G. 5**

- A = TOP 10 DOCUMENTS
- B = 200 DOCUMENTS FROM THE TOP 800 DOCUMENTS
- CALCULATION EXPRESSION
- CONTRIBUTION DEGREE CALCULATION EXPRESSION (Term Selection Value (Bougham formula))

$$Tsv = (r/R - \alpha * s/S) * w$$

$\alpha$  = parameter

$$w = r/(R-r) / (n-r) / (N-n-R+r)$$

r = NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING A TARGET WORD, OF A

R = A

n = NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING A TARGET WORD

S = B

s = NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING A TARGET WORD, OF B

N = NUMBER OF ALL DOCUMENTS

FIG. 6

• fuel	7.2
• methanol	6.8
• cars	6.1
• gas	5.4
• automobile	5.1
• gasoline	4.8
• natural	4.5
• powered-	3.7
• alcohol	2.4
• engines	2.2
• consumer	2.1
• passenger	2.0
• prototypes	1.6
• research	1.0
• benefits	1.0
• derived	0.9
• health	0.7
• hybrid	0.6

FIG. 7

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1	Fuel, methanol, cars
2	gas, automobile, gasoline, natural
3	powered, alcohol, engines, consumer, passenger
4	prototype, research, benefits, derived, health, hybrid

FIG. 8



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1	<b>cars</b> <u>hybrid</u>
2	<b>gas</b> , automobile , gasoline , natural
3	powered , alcohol , engines , consumer , passenger
4	<b>Fuel</b> , prototype , research , benefits , derived , health .

MAXIMIZES THE CONTRIBUTION DEGREE  
OF A WORD **hybrid**

DROPS THE CONTRIBUTION DEGREE OF  
A WORD **fuel**

DELETES A WORD **methanol**

FIG. 9

	Cars	hybrid	gas	automobile	gasoline	natural	powered	alcohol	fuel
1	5	0	1	1	3	1	2	1	5
2	4	0	1	0	3	1	2	1	5
3	3	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	3
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8	2	1	2	1	1	0	2	1	1
9									
10									
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FIG. 10

	Cars	hybrid	gas	automobile	gasoline	natural	powered	alcohol	fuel
1	5	0	1	1	3	1	2	1	5
2	4	0	1	1	3	1	2	1	5
3	3	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	3
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8	2	1	2	1	1	0	2	1	1
9									

- CALCULATION FOR RANKING UP A DOCUMENT, INCLUDING A WORD Hybrid
  - THE SCORES OF THE TOP AND EIGHTH DOCUMENTS ARE 19 AND 11, RESPECTIVELY
  - TO RANK UP THE EIGHTH DOCUMENT TO THE TOP, MULTIPLY THE WORD Hybrid BY 9
  - WEIGHT OF THE WORD Hybrid  $3 = 9 \times 1/\log(8)$
- CALCULATION FOR RANKING DOWN A DOCUMENT, INCLUDING A WORD fuel
  - THE SCORES OF THE TOP AND EIGHTH DOCUMENTS ARE 19 AND 11, RESPECTIVELY
  - TO BRING THE TOP DOCUMENT CLOSE TO THE EIGHT, SET THE WORD fuel TO 1 (THE MINIMUM)
  - WEIGHT OF THE WORD fuel  $1/5 = 1/5 \times 1/\log(1)$

FIG. 11

hybrid	5.3
cars	5.1
gas	4.8
automobile	4.6
gasoline	4.2
natural	4.1
fuel	4.1
powered	3.7
prototypes	3.4
alcohol	2.1
engines	1.3
consumer	1.1
passenger	1.0
research	0.9
benefits	0.5
derived	0.3
health	0.2

FIG. 12

- 1 hybrid ,cars ,gas , automobile
- 2 gasoline ,natural ,fuel ,powered,prototypes
- 3 alcohol engines consumer passenger
- 4 research , benefits, derived, health

FIG. 13

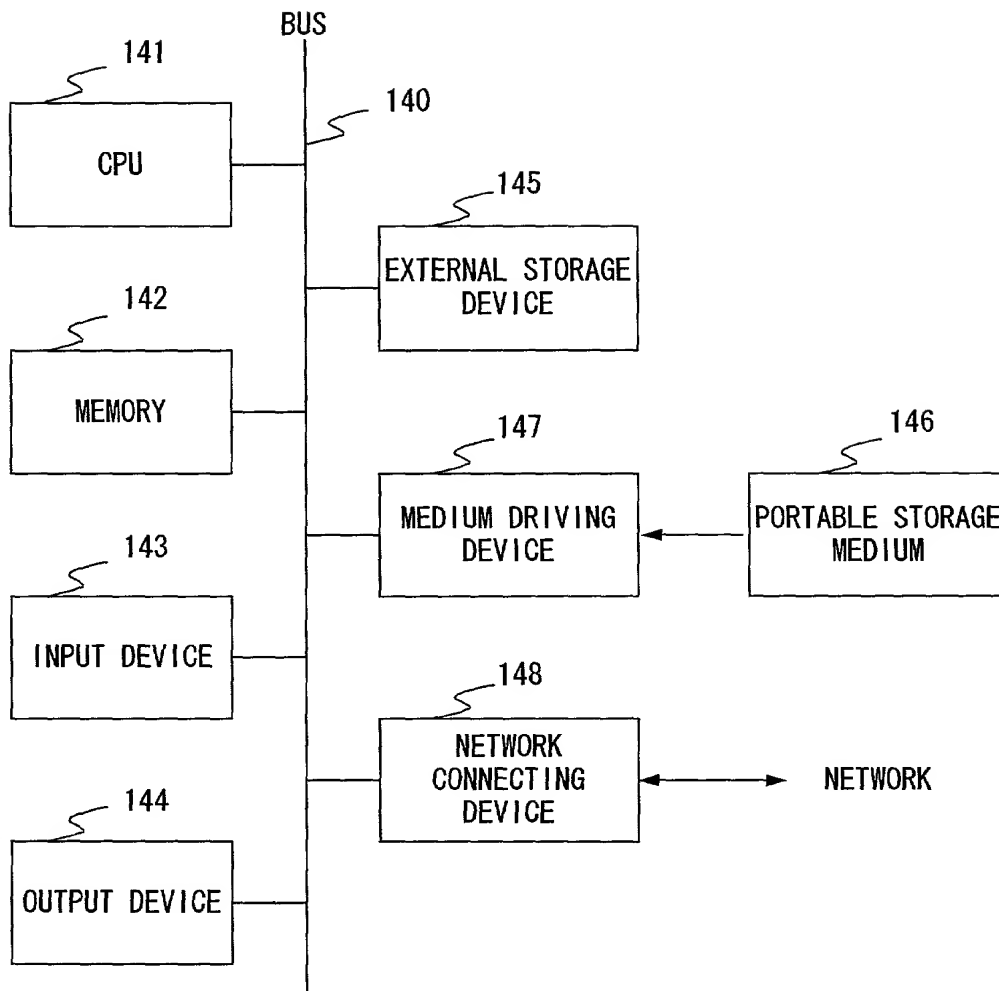


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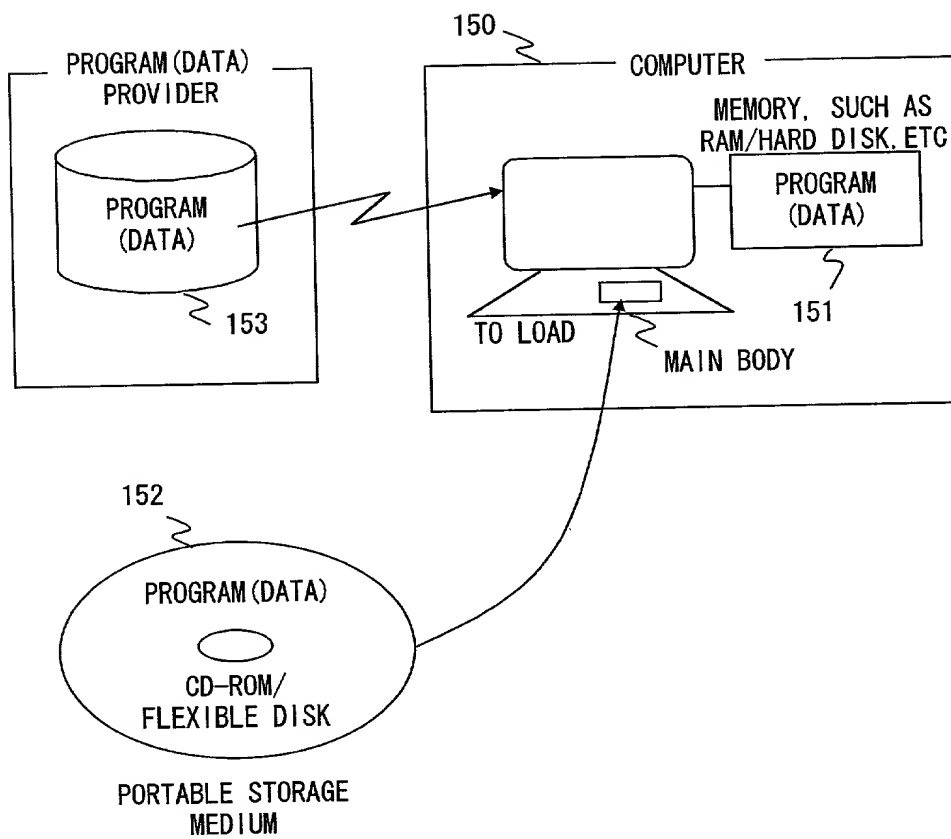


FIG. 15